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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

## City of Cleveland's Winter Weather Plan – Monday, February 2, 2015 at 1100

CLEVELAND – The City of Cleveland has been conducting snow removal operations overnight and will continue to throughout the day. The Department of Public Works is currently utilizing 50 snow removal crews that will primarily focus on servicing main and secondary-main throughfares before transitioning into the residential areas. The goal of the Department of Public Works is to service all city streets within 48 hours after snowfall ceases.

When the weather conditions transition, around noon, the city will reevaluate the snow removal distribution plan and shift assets to secondary and residential streets. The Cleveland Division of Police is reporting that additional units will be deployed to supervise traffic flow for the evening commute. The City of Cleveland has approximately 10,000 tons of salt available to service city streets and bridges.

## Key points to remember:

- A parking ban is in effect as of Sunday, February 1, 2015. As a result, stopping, standing, and parking of vehicles will be restricted and prohibited on city streets with posted red and white signs UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.
- The City of Cleveland is requesting voluntary compliance from residents who park on streets that are not included in the ban. Parking off street, whenever possible, helps ensure that plows can service the entire width of the street curb-to-curb.
- Bridges and hills will be salted as needed.
- If you must travel, use caution, allow extra time, and remember not to "block the box" at intersections.
- If you live with or near an elderly person, regularly check on these vulnerable citizens to ensure that they are warm, fed, and safe.

For more information and a list of cold weather tips, click <u>here.</u>